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2000 Kentucky State Fair Opens August 17

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Opening day is just around the corner, and your family is invited to make the trip to Louisville for the 2000 Kentucky State Fair.

It all begins Aug. 17 and runs through the 27th. The Families and Children display is getting its final polish, and our volunteers will be glad to guide you through the cheery yellow CFC “home” when you drop by our area in the South Wing.

Advance discount gate admission for the fair with a Kroger Plus card is \$4 for adults and \$1 for senior citizens and children younger than 12. After Aug. 16, gate admission is \$6 for adults and \$2 for seniors and children. Parking is \$3.

The exhibit halls are open daily from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m. Midway attractions are open from 3 p.m. until closing on weekdays and noon until closing on Saturdays and Sundays. Ride tickets are 75 cents each or 30 for \$14 in advance at Kroger stores.

For more information about the contests, concerts and exhibitors at the Kentucky State Fair, log onto <http://www.kyfairexpo.org/statefair/index.html>.

Name the New Employee Recognition Program

By Ronnie Dunn, CFC Employee Services Branch

An Employee Recognition Steering Committee has formed to discuss how the Cabinet for Families and Children will focus on making employees feel valued, respected and appreciated. The committee, made up of representatives from the service regions and Quality Central, recently held a two-day planning meeting in Elizabethtown.

A major emphasis of the group is that the employee recognition program be developed by and for all employees of the Cabinet. To that end, the first task is to find a name for the program. This is your opportunity to get involved by submitting a suggested name.

As an example, a state agency in Arizona uses the acronym P.R.I.D.E (Positive Recognition Inspires Dynamic Employees). Your suggestion doesn't have to be an acronym, but it should be something that employees can easily identify as the employee recognition program.

The winner of the contest to name the new program will receive a special reward and will be featured in a future edition of *Pipeline*. A future issue of *CFC Online* will focus on employee recognition.

Quality Central employees should submit their suggestions to Carmen Maxson of CFC Employee Services Branch, 564-7770. Each region also has a designated employee recognition staff person who will accept suggestions from regional employees. All suggestions must be received by Sept. 12.

The Steering Committee will make the final selection of the name for the program at their next meeting in late September.

GOOD LUCK!

Respect for the Boxes

By Lisa Aug, CFC Communications



Can this be the basement of the CHR Building?

Those of you who walk the tunnel in the basement of the CHR building have probably noticed the hundreds of boxes stacked along the wall. These hold more than 6,000 volumes from the CFC General Counsel's library. They will remain in the tunnel for the next several months, until after the legal department's area on 4W is repainted and carpeted and the GC staff move back.

We apologize for restricting the walking area, but we ask that you take note of the boxes while traversing the tunnel. Some boxes have been slightly damaged by pedestrians, inadvertently we are sure.

Meanwhile, the Great CFC-CHS Floor Swap remains on schedule, or even slightly ahead of schedule. CFC Personnel has settled into 4E and are back in business. Their former space on 5W will have new carpet and paint by August 15, and CHS OPS will move there from 4C. CFC legal will move temporarily into that space on 4C the end of August until their area on 4W is renovated.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or suggestions, send them to lisa.aug@mail.state.ky.us.

CFC Personnel Has Moved

After months of cramped quarters in a corner of the 5th Floor, CFC Division of Personnel staff have finally landed in their newly renovated permanent location at the east end of the 4th Floor (mail drop 4E-D).

Foster Parents to Receive State Park Gift Certificates

Foster families will be rewarded for their dedication with complimentary lodging and meals at state resort parks, First Lady Judi Patton announced.

"This is a wonderful way to thank our foster families for their commitment and dedication to Kentucky's precious children," Mrs. Patton said.

In cooperation with the Tourism Development Cabinet's Department for Parks, CFC will present gift certificates for one night's lodging and two meals to over 1700 foster parent families. This is the second year for the program.

KHSA Conference Sept. 19-21

Kentucky Human Services Association will hold its annual fall conference Sept. 19-21 at Kentucky Dam Village. The conference will include workshops and HIV/AIDS certification training. For more information, send an e-mail to KHSA100@aol.com.

CFC and CHS Sponsor Health & Wellness Fair

By Ronnie Dunn, CFC Employee Services Branch

The Secretaries of both CFC and CHS care about the health and well being of employees, and the two cabinets are sponsoring a Health and Wellness Fair Sept. 6, 9a.m. – 3 p.m. in the lobby of the CHR Building.

The following agencies have been invited to participate:

- Frankfort YMCA
- Franklin County Health Department
- Kentucky Employee Assistance Program (KEAP)
- Agencies of the Department of Public Health
- American Red Cross
- International Hearing Society
- Fit Time For Women
- Frankfort Athletic Center
- Massage Therapists
- Transportation Cabinet's Drive Smart Kentucky staff

All employees in the CHR Building, including employees of other agencies, are invited. CFC and CHS employees who work in Frankfort but outside of the CHR Building are also encouraged to attend.